



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES  
WRITTEN QUESTIONS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUNDING

RFS: 3591003984

FOR

BUILDING STRONG BRAINS TENNESSEE  
PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

QUESTION		STATE RESPONSE
1	— Is there a maximum rate for the indirect cost rate?	There is no maximum percentage or limit on indirect costs, however, the state looks favorably on low indirect costs as a mechanism to direct most funds to activities, services, interventions.
2	— At our university, the President does not typically sign proposals for grants. Instead that authority is delegated to our Authorized Organization Representative (AOR), and our AOR is registered as having that authority through federal systems such as SAM.gov and grants.gov. Is it allowable for our AOR to sign the face sheet and cover letter, to stay in alignment with our typical practices for grant submissions?	Yes, it is.
3	— Do you anticipate any changes to the funding schedule with closures, etc., due to the coronavirus?	No, as there are no face-to-face convenings planned, we do not anticipate changes in the funding schedule. However, that could change if guidance is issued that would preclude evaluation of proposals. If that were to occur, notice to that effect would be posted and circulated broadly.